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Dear Examiner Wells:

Referencing the above patent application, attached please find an IDS that was filed on October 25, 2005. Please call me if you have any questions.

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